IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-9 (canceled)

- 10. (previously submitted) A washing container for a dishwashing machine, comprising:
 a container body including a plurality of assembled parts;
 a base frame part; and
 at least one cover part attached to said base frame part, said cover part including a plurality of side parts, said side parts connected to one another at an angle to form said cover part.
- 11. (currently amended) The washing container according to claim 10, including said cover part including a three side parts connected to one another to form a substantially U-shaped cover part having an open end.
- 12. (currently amended) The washing container according to claim 11, including said base frame part having an upstanding side part, said upstanding side part located in said U-shaped cover part open end completing said cover part.

- 13. (currently amended) The washing container according to claim 12, including said base frame part and said upstanding side part formed as a unitary assembly.
- 14. (currently amended) The washing container according to claim 13, including said base frame part and said upstanding side part unitary assembly formed from a molded plastic material and said cover part formed from a corrosion-resistant material.
- 15. (currently amended) The washing container according to claim 10, including said cover part is formed substantially in the shape of a peripherally closed rectangle.
- 16. (currently amended) The washing container according to claim 15, including said peripherally closed rectangle cover part is formed from two substantially L-shaped side parts.
- 17. (currently amended) The washing container according to claim 12, including said upstanding side part including additional retention functional elements, including at least one receptacle retention element for one of a rinsing or cleaning agent or a water softening device.
- 18. (currently amended) The washing container according to claim 10, including said base frame part including a filter floor part.

- 19. (currently amended) The washing container according to claim 10, including at least one of said side parts including a heat exchanger integrated therein.
- 20. (new) A washing container for a dishwashing machine, comprising: a container body including a plurality of assembled parts; a base frame part, said base frame part having a floor part and at least two upstanding corner stays; and at least one cover part attached to said base frame part, said cover part including a plurality of side parts, said side parts connected to one another at an angle to form a substantially U-shaped periphery of said cover part, said substantially U-shaped periphery of said cover part having an open end and a closed end opposite said open end, and said cover part being attached to said base frame part with its U-shaped periphery mounted on said floor part of said base frame part and said cover part being attached at a respective one of its open end and its closed end to said at least two upstanding corner stays.
- 21. (new) The washing container according to claim 20, wherein said cover part is attached externally to said at least two upstanding corner stays of said base frame part.
- 22. (new) The washing container according to claim 20, wherein said cover part is attached internally to said at least two upstanding corner stays of said base frame part.

- 23. (new) The washing container according to claim 20, wherein said base frame part includes an upstanding side part, said upstanding side part located in said substantially U-shaped periphery of said cover part completing said cover part.
- 24. (new) The washing container according to claim 23, wherein said upstanding side part including additional retention functional elements, including at least one receptacle retention element for one of a rinsing or cleaning agent or a water softening device.